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UDALL STATEMENT ON LANL BUDGET PLANNING PROCESS

WASHINGTON – **Today, U.S. Representative Tom Udall, D-N.M.,** released the following statement on Los Alamos National Laboratory Director Michael Anastasio's meeting on the required planning process for a workforce restructuring scenario:

"Director Anastasio's announcement today is a necessary planning exercise required by law. No one wants job cuts at LANL and this should not be taken as an indication that there will be. I have been assured that as the appropriations process continues the final conference report will fully fund the core mission of the lab. I continue to work against any job cuts at LANL and will continue to urge LANS to diversify its mission in order to protect the lab's future permanence and strengthen its work force."

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